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Agenda #	Relate To	Position	The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
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73.		Favor	Albert Senella	On behalf of Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc. (TTC), I am writing to express our strong support of the appointment of Dr. Lisa Wong as the Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH). Dr. Wong has the experience needed to navigate the complex needs of our communities; and the skills to manage the diverse services of DMH. Dr. Wong's leadership will be invaluable as we try to address challenges and support access to care under the evolving needs of our communities. TTC fully supports the recommendation to appoint Dr. Wong as director and we look forward to her vision for DMH.
			Carolyn Labbe	Of Dr. Lisa Wong for Director of Department of Mental Health
			Cynthia L Jackson	Lisa Wong is an excellent Director of the Department of Mental Health. She has created an environment of teamwork both within the department and with its contractors that has been missing for the last several years. As the ED of a contracted agency, I can strongly state that our collaboration with DMH is vastly improved, leading to quality outcomes for our shared patients. Lisa is open to feedback while at the same time demonstrating strong leadership and direction. I cannot support her candidacy strongly enough!
			Jodi Kurata	The Association of Community Human Service Agencies (ACHSA) enthusiastically supports the CEO recommendation to appoint Lisa Wong as the Director of the Department of Mental Health. ACHSA remains committed to supporting Dr. Wong in her new role, and to working in partnership with DMH to sustain and strengthen the County system of care.
			Keith Star Star	
			Ken Bachrach	I enthusiastically recommend her appointment. I have worked with Dr. Lisa Wong for the past 15 years and have found her to be an inspiring leader who understands the needs of both patients and providers.
			Lynnae Hernandez	Lisa Wong is highly qualified for this role both in education and experience. As a DMH contractor I greatly support this appointment.
			Monica L Davis	
			Ray fossati	
			Robyn East	
			Ronald Mills	

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73.		Favor	Stan Galperson	
			Traute Winters	<p>February 24, 2023</p> <p>Via E-Mail Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 Re: Item 73 - Appointment of the Director of Mental Health</p> <p>Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors: NAMI Greater Los Angeles County (NAMI GLAC) wishes to endorse the motion to appoint Dr. Wong as the permanent Director of Mental Health for LA County. In her short time as Acting Director of LACDMH, we have been impressed with what Dr. Wong has accomplished including addressing staff shortages, building support for crisis services as well as her transparency in discussing and addressing issues and programs. Dr. Wong is a long-time employee of LACDMH and knows the strengths and areas of opportunity in the department. She has hit the ground running and we believe she is the right candidate for the position to lead the nation's largest mental health department.</p> <p>NAMI Greater Los Angeles County (NAMI GLAC) is the leading countywide organization comprised of grassroots-based chapters that promote wellness, recovery, equality, and dignity for individuals and families affected by mental illness and the community at large. We provide leadership in advocacy, education, support, and public awareness throughout Los Angeles County.</p> <p>Respectfully,</p> <p>Traute Winters NAMI GLAC, Executive Director twinters@namiglac.org</p>
		Oppose	Jose Goles	
		Item Total	14	
Grand Total			14	

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February 23, 2023

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

SUPPORT FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH

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TTC fully supports the recommendation to appoint Dr. Wong as director and we look forward to her vision for DMH. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at ttcadmin@tarzanatc.org or at 818-654-3815.

Respectfully,

Albert M. Senella
President/Chief Executive Officer

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Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Twinters".

Traute Winters
NAMI GLAC, Executive Director
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